## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: McConnell, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MONITORING THE FLOW OF ITEMS

THROUGH A STORE OR WAREHOUSE

Docket No.: S48906 1020.1 (0003.0)

Customer No.: 26158

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents

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Sir

## REPLY

In response to the Office Action mailed June 7, 2006, Applicants submit herewith a Reply.

In addition, please provide a one-month extension of time up to and including October 7, 2006, to answer the Office Action as provided for in 37 CFR 1.136. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$120.00 extension of time fee to Deposit Account 09-0528.

If any additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicants request that this be considered a Petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account 09-0528.

A Listing of Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 32 of this paper.